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Sir:

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PATENTS

U.S. Patent No. 4,418,257

U.S. Patent No. 4,430,531

U.S. Patent No. 4,604,509

U.S. Patent No. 4,659,881

U.S. Patent No. 4,766,271

U.S. Patent No. 5,228,561

U.S. Patent No. 5,564,560

U.S. Patent No. 5,834,714

RELEVANCE

Discloses a keyboard switch.

Discloses a snap disc keyboard.

Discloses an elastomeric push button return element for providing enhanced tactile feedback.

Discloses a multidome multistage switch assembly.

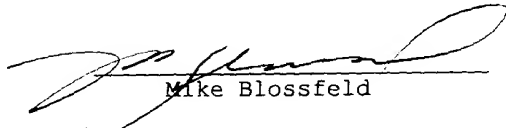
Discloses an elastomer-made push button switch covering member.

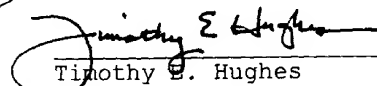
Discloses a long traveling button switch with enhanced user feedback.

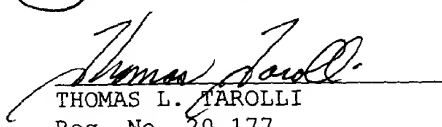
Discloses a dual function button.

Discloses a double actuator elastomeric switch.

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